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Mr. John Wright
Equinox Resources Ltd.
900-625 Howe Street
Vancouver, B.C.
Canada, V6C2T6

RE: Callahan/Van Stone Mine Site Visit
CERCLIS No. WA980834808

Dear Mr. Wright:

This letter confirms our conversation on April 1, 1993, regarding our visit to Callahan/Van Stone Mine, located in Colville, Washington, on April 16, 1993, at 10:30 a.m. At the time of the site visit, you are requested to provide the following information:

- A map of the site including waste storage/disposal areas (i.e., tailings ponds) and any onsite wells;
- The year your company purchased the property;
- A summary of wastes generated or stored onsite including;
 - Waste types generated or stored onsite (e.g., sludge, solvents, pesticides, acids, bases, tailings, etc.);
 - Chemical constituents of each waste (if known);
 - Type of storage and/or final disposition (i.e., landfilled onsite, transported from site by recycling firm, etc.);
 - Current status of tailings ponds and any modifications;
 - Volumes of each waste type generated annually and total volume present onsite;
 - Description of any waste treatment systems (i.e., flocculation/ filtration, incinerators, chemical/physical treatment, volume reduction, etc.); and,
 - Names of waste transporters/recyclers, and the time period they have been used.

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- List of Permits and Applications, including permit #, date of issue, and expiration date (i.e., NPDES, UIC, air, RCRA, SPCC Plan, state, local, etc.);
- Summary of sampling/monitoring programs; and
- Summary of hydrogeological studies conducted at the site.

The inspection will be performed by Technology Services Company, a Division of Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC). SAIC is an authorized contractor of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (Contract No. 68-W9-0008) and is acting as field investigators for EPA. The investigators may be accompanied by representatives from EPA, the Washington Department of Ecology, or both.

Under Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9604(e), EPA has the authority to gain access to, and request information from, sites where any hazardous substances or pollutants or contaminants may have been released or are threatened to be released, or may have been generated, stored, treated, disposed of, or transported to or from. If access to the site is not granted, or information is not provided, EPA has the authority to issue a compliance order to gain access or obtain information, and may seek civil penalties of up to \$25,000 per day for each day of noncompliance.

Callahan/Van Stone Mine will be inspected to determine the impact or potential impact of any hazardous substances which have been, are, or may be released to the environment at or from the facility, or may have migrated to the facility from some other facility. The field investigators will:

- Meet the site owner or representative on the date and time specified above.
- Interview the site owner or representative to confirm existing information (i.e., address, total area, etc.).
- Perform a site walk-through and visual inspection with the site owner or representative.
- Take photographs of the site.
- Collect all pertinent information including manifests, site maps, sampling results, etc., from the site owner or representative, (see list above).

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The inspection findings will be documented in a report which will provide a basis for EPA to determine if any further action is appropriate at the site. The completed report will be made available to you by EPA.

Your company may assert a claim of confidentiality for any information entitled to protection under 40 C.F.R., Part 2, Subpart B. All confidential material must be separately submitted, marked "confidential", and include the basis of your claim. EPA will treat such information as set forth in the cited subpart.

If you have any questions regarding our site visit, please contact me at (206) 485-2818. Please contact Monica Rolluda at the EPA at (206) 553-0323 if you have questions regarding the purpose of this inspection.

Sincerely,

Technology Services Company, A Division of
SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lynn Guilford", is positioned above the typed name.

Lynn Guilford
Environmental Scientist

cc: M. Rolluda, EPA
S. Spencer, Ecology